

Schools Plan Civics Course To Fight 'Reds'

Authorities Take Drastic Measures to Counteract Propaganda of Anarchy

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The Board of Education is preparing to fight Bolshevik propaganda among the school children of this city with its own weapons. This announcement was made by Dr. John L. Tildsey, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, yesterday.

"We are thoroughly alarmed at the situation that has developed," said Dr. Tildsey. "It would be folly to deny its gravity."

Dr. Tildsey concurred entirely with the statement made by Robert M. M. on Tuesday, in which the head of the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy declared that if the dissemination of radical ideas among schoolboys is to be stopped a start should be made outside the schools.

"For some time," said Dr. Tildsey, "we have been aware that agencies outside the schools have been systematically training schoolboys in Bolshevik doctrines. However, the school authorities have no right or power to dictate what pupils shall do, where they shall go, what they shall read or think outside of school hours."

What Can Be Done

"What we can do, though, is to present them with a truly American view during school hours of precisely the problems which the Bolsheviks now distort in order to influence these immature minds."

This is the plan, Dr. Tildsey said, which is to be put into execution. After next September no pupil will receive a diploma from any high school unless he can pass a satisfactory examination in civics. Beginning with next September, or earlier if possible, courses in civics will be required to be established in the schools. Every pupil will be required to take five periods a week in these courses for at least one term. Eighty new teachers are being engaged to give instruction in civics. Their presentation of the courses, Dr. Tildsey emphasized, will be absolutely and unqualifiedly from the American point of view.

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Responsibility for much of the vague radicalism which school authorities today discover in the themes and conversations of their pupils, Dr. Tildsey placed upon "the Hearst papers and the New York Journal." "All these papers," he said, "are to a greater or lesser degree socialist. They are all read widely by the present generation of schoolboys. From them they get inflated, erroneous impressions of the life and community about them. These impressions are further worked upon by the extra-scholastic organizations seeking to form the opinions of our youth."

The new community civics courses, Dr. Tildsey explained, will seek to show the students exactly how much the city and government are now doing for them, unnoticed, every day. They will deal with the waste, the collection of garbage, the Police Department, etc. The more advanced economic courses will supplement this elemental work.

The chief difficulty which the department is encountering in initiating the new courses, said Dr. Tildsey, is that the new curriculum is being met with opposition. Men will be specially trained for the work, perhaps at Columbia. "Scarcely teachers who are found in the city," he said, "are actively engaged in encouraging wrong points of view will be weeded out whenever they appear."

Eight Japanese Sailors

In U. S. Navy Naturalized

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19.—Eight Japanese, enlisted men in the United States navy, were naturalized today in the Federal Court, thus complying with the law of May 5, 1918, providing all men in the service may become citizens.

The men are stationed at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. In admitting the seamen to citizenship Judge Thompson said: "Any man who is good enough to serve his country is good enough to be one of its citizens. One of the sailors has been in the navy thirty-two years."

Hearst in Main St.

LEUTENANT WALTER DUNNING, 11, of the artillery, is recuperating from battle wounds at the Gun Hill Road Hospital. He came into town a few nights ago, and in declining a friend's invitation to stay late, said he wanted to get back here. The artillery became tired of waiting for him, and he was sent to the hospital.

"Soon after I landed in France I had an experience with a nervous negro," he said. "I approached the camp in the dark. A voice challenged me: 'Who's there?' 'American officer!' I shouted in reply."

"Who's there?" came a second time, and this time I heard the click of the safety on a rifle.

"American officer!" I shouted at the top of my voice. "That are your dashed condemned orders, sentry!" "Call halt three times and then shoot!" was the answer."

LITTLE Howard was playing in the nursery when his father entered with an odd looking bundle in his arms.

"Don't want to see any baby brother," was the astonished reply.

"Don't want to see any baby brother," the startled father asked.

"None," the youngster replied. "I want to see the work."

Astor Legacy Unexpended

Mrs. Madeleine Dick to Permit Son's Trust Fund to Accumulate

Mrs. Madeleine Force Astor Dick, widow of Colonel John Jacob Astor and wife of W. K. Dick, yesterday filed in the Surrogate's Court a statement in place of the customary yearly accounting of the trust fund left to her son, John Jacob Astor, Jr.

In this statement Mrs. Dick said she had received no money from the fund during the last year and had therefore spent none.

"Mrs. Dick," her attorney, Henry A. Gildersleeve, said, "has decided to let the fund accumulate. Of course, she is independently wealthy and her husband is also possessed of considerable means. Therefore she can provide amply for the boy without expending any of the income."

Before Colonel Astor went down with the Titanic he inserted in his will a clause bequeathing to his unborn child a \$3,000,000 trust fund.

O'Leary Witnesses

Deny Meeting Was To Obstruct Draft

Irish Bazaar Workers Say Object Was to Classify Names; Mrs. Gonzales's Testimony Is Attacked

Mrs. M. Gonzales, former wife of the ex-Consul General of Costa Rica to New York, was made the target of the defense of Jeremiah A. O'Leary yesterday. As a government witness Mrs. Gonzales had described a meeting addressed by O'Leary at 715 Lexington Avenue. She swore that she was informed that the object of the meeting was to formulate plans to fight conscription.

O'Leary and co-defendants are being tried on charges of conspiring to obstruct operation of the selective service act.

The defense called several witnesses at the Irish Bazaar who had attended the meeting to contradict Mrs. Gonzales's testimony. The witnesses emphatically denied that the object of the meeting was to plan a fight on conscription. They said they were called together to classify cards bearing the names of contributors to the Irish Bazaar.

Assistant United States Attorney James W. Osborne, who conducted the cross-examination, drew from some of the witnesses the admission that the meeting was to plan a fight on conscription and not alphabetically. The prosecution attached great importance to this point.

During the examination of Miss Mary P. McVane, a bazaar worker, Mr. O'Leary asked the government to produce certain agents of the Department of Justice for identification. Mr. Osborne refused to do this and explained that if the defense wanted them in court they had the power to bring them to the trial.

Mr. Osborne questioned her closely. "You did not know that Mr. O'Leary at one time contemplated running for Mayor of New York on an anti-conscription platform?" asked Mr. Osborne.

"No, I did not know that," answered Miss McVane.

The trial will be continued today.

Lloyd George Message

Will Aid Journalists

Autographed Copy of Letter of Thanks to U. S. from Premier Will Be Auctioned Off

David Lloyd George, Prime Minister of England, has addressed a message to the American people thanking them for their part in the war, and this autographed document was dispatched by courier from the State Department to Washington yesterday to Leo Shubert, who has been authorized by the British government to dispose of the message to aid the "Fund for Dependents of British Sailor and Soldier Journalists."

Leo and J. J. Shubert, as managers of the Forty-fourth Street Theatre, and Al Johnson, the star of "Sinbad," yesterday after a conference with the British Consul and the leading English correspondents in this city, decided to auction the letter from the stage of that theatre Monday night. Johnson will act as auctioneer. Over a dozen bids have already been made privately.

Many notables have been invited for the occasion, including Charles E. Hughes, Attorney General, and the Consul General C. H. Bailey, and representatives from the various British war relief, army and navy, the British Ministry of Food, as well as a delegation from the United States. The affair will be in charge of the British correspondents in New York.

Lawyer Insists

Radicals Won't Be Deported

43 of Them Now Held at Ellis Island Will Be Released, Rechi Declares

Are No Criminal Charges

Counsel Visits Prisoners. Then Issues Statement of His Views of the Case

Charles Rechi, New York lawyer, who with Caroline A. Lowe, associate counsel for the Industrial Workers of the World, is carrying on an investigation in behalf of forty-five I. W. W.'s brought recently to New York City from Western centres on the "Red Special" and now held on Ellis Island awaiting deportation, yesterday said:

"Forty-three of the I. W. W.'s will be released by the government within a month. The only two who will be deported are an Englishman and an Irishman who desire to return to their own countries.

"Two of the men awaiting deportation as undesirable aliens are native born Americans.

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Ain't It a Grand and Glorious Feelin'?



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